## **ABSTRACT**

A recording medium discharge mechanism is provided with a side wall member 71 capable of changing position between an upright state in which small size sheets are caught when small size sheets are discharged and a laid flat state in which a placement surface of a discharge space C is extended for placement of large size sheets when large size sheets are discharged by a discharge mechanism 7 having the discharge space C, whose downstream side in a paper discharge direction has been opened. In the upright state, the side wall member 71 does not protrude laterally from an apparatus. Furthermore, in the laid flat state, large size sheets can be placed.

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